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TONIGHT:

FAUST

(GOUNOD)



10p



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DUBLIN GRAND OPERA SOCIETY

presents

AN INTERNATIONAL SEASON OF OPERA

FAUST

WITH BALLET (GOUNOD)

THE QUEEN OF SPADES

(PIQUE DAME) (TCHAIKOVSKY)

ROSENKAVALIER

(RICHARD STRAUSS)

Guest Artists:

HELGA ANGERVO, JOAN DAVIES, MARGARET GALE, KAY GRIFFEL, MARCELA MACHOTKOVA, RUTH MAHER, JOHANNA PETERS, TERRY REID, WILMA VERNOCCHI, BRENDAN CAVANAGH, BRIAN DONLON, GABRIELE FLORESTA, ROBERT EL HAGE, HOWARD HANFORD, JAROSLAV HORACEK, BRENDAN KEYES, ARMAND MacLANE, ROLF POLKE, PATRICK RING, GENNARO DE SICA, ANDREA SNARSKI, OLDRICH SPISER.

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NAPOLEONE ANNOVAZZI, ALBERT ROSEN

Producers:

PHILIPPE PERROTTET, JAROSLAV HORACEK Stage Director: PATRICK McCLELLAN Resident Chorus Master and Accompanist: JEANNIE REDDIN McDONALD, L.R.A.M., A.T.C.L. Chorus Masters : JOHN BRADY, PETER ROBINSON

Choreographers: PHILIPPE PERROTTET (Faust) NADIA STIVEN (Queen of Spades) Wardrobe Mistress: BELLA KNOX THE RADIO-TELEFIS EIREANN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (by kind permission of the Radio-Telefis Authority)

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Directed by URSULA DOYLE



FAUST (GOUNOD)

FOUNDED on the first part of Goethe's great drama, "Faust" is a dramatic and fine opera. It opens in the study of the old philosopher, Faust, who, though he has devoted his life to study, is miserable because his advancing age prevents him from still further delving into the secrets of existence. He summons Satan to his aid and the latter appears in the form of a cavalier, Mephistopheles. Mephistopheles promises to give youth and beauty to Faust if he will, in return, give him his soul. Faust agrees and the bargain is struck.

Then Mephistopheles shows Faust a vision of the lovely Marguerite, with whom Faust immediately falls in love. He sees Marguerite at the festivities before the soldiers leave for war. But she is jealously guarded by her brother Valentine, who leaves her protected by Martha, her old aunt, when he goes off to war.

It is an easy thing for Mephistopheles to wheedle the old gossip into letting Faust meet Marguerite, who has already been half won by glorious gifts of jewellery which have easily overshadowed the flower gifts of her other admirer, Siebel.

The love of Faust and Marguerite blossoms but eventually Faust abandons her and their child. Valentine, on his return from war, hastens to find his sister's betrayer and challenges him to a duel. Faust, however, is unwilling to fight him, but Mephistopheles directs his sword and Valentine is killed. He dies cursing Marguerite.

Marguerite praying for forgiveness is taunted by Mephistopheles and in a fit of madness, she murders her child.

Mephistopheles takes Faust to a witch's sabbath, on the heights of the Brocken and shows him visions of famous courtesans whom Faust refuses.

He sees a vision of Marguerite, her neck already marked with the executioners axe. He rushes off and finds her in prison.

Marguerite, sensing the presence of Satan, shrinks from her lover and implores the Saints' pardon for her sin. Her prayer is granted and she is allowed to die in the cell just as the time for her execution comes. The opera ends with the soul of Marguerite being borne away to heaven, and Faust, unwillingly, being dragged into the underworld by the triumphant Mephistopheles.

Fa

(CHARLES FRAN

Text by Barbi

First produced : Pari

DRAMATIS F

Faust a learned doctor)

Mephistopheles Marguerite

Valentine (a soldier, bother to Marguerite)
Siebel (village youth in love with Marguerite)
Wagner (a student)

Students, Soldi

Balle

Sally Cooper, Maureen Adam Beck, Jeremy MacI

Conductor : NAPOL

Producer: PHILIP

Chorus Masters: JEANNIE REDDIN Mc

Choreographer: PHII

Time: Sixteenth Century
Place: Germany
ACT I

Scene 1 Faust's study.
Scene 2 The market place at Frankfurt.

ACT II Marguerite's garden.

ACT III
Scene 1 A public square.
Scene 2 Inside the church.

ACT IV
Scene 1 A mountain top.
Scene 2 A prison cell.

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OIS GOUNOD)

and Carré

March 19th, 1859.

RSONAE:

GENNARO DE SICA ROBERT EL HAGE WILMA VERNOCCHI GABRIELE FLORESTA TERRY REID BRIAN DONLON

s, Villagers.

Dougan, Mary Park, onald, Michael Moran.

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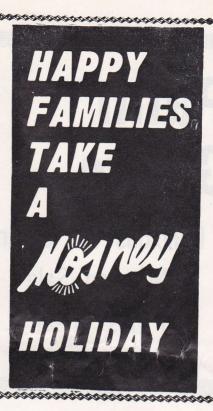
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